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CONTACT IN FONOFF LEGAL DIVISION TELLS US THAT IRISH HAVE URGENTLY REQUESTED NEGOTIATIONS WITH BRITISH ON CONFLICTING CLAIMS TO CONTINENTAL SHELF AREAS. ALL AREAS ARE TO BE INVOLVED, INCLUDING THE ONE RECENTLY CLAIMED BY BRITAIN, WHICH RUNS WEST OF SCOTLAND AND NORTHWEST OF IRELAND. IRISH HAD IN FACT WANTED NEGOTIATIONS EARLY THIS YEAR BUT FELT THEY COULD NOT PRESS ISSUE BECAUSE OF CONFLICT WITH LOS CONFERENCE. GOI NOW HOPES AND BELIEVES THAT BRITISH WILL GO ALONG WITH NEGOTIATIONS AIMED AT PRODUCING QUICK AGREEMENT. IRISH OBVIOUSLY FEEL THEIR CASE IS STRON, AS PART OF AREA INVOLVED IS CLOSER TO IRISH THAN TO BRITISH COAST. ACCORDING TO OUR CONTACT, BRITISH ARE CLAIMING NEW AREA AS EXTENSION OF SCOTTISH CONTINENTAL SHELF, AND IRISH DO NOT THINK THIS IS AS STRONG AS IRISH CASE.

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